



## City of Boulder, Open Space and Mountain Parks

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# APPLICATION FOR NEW BOLTED ROUTE

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Project Number	
Permit Approval Date	
Permit Expiration Date	
OSMP Approval Signature	
APPLICANT INFORMATION	
Applicant Name	
Phone number	
Email Address	
Route Name	
Rock Formation	
Number of bolts to be placed	
Type of Hardware to be used	

72 hours in advance of placing bolts, Applicant/Permittee must notify OSMP staff by telephone at 303-441-3440 (leaving a voice message if no one answers).

Within 7 days of completing the work (confirming that it went as planned or describing any modifications), Applicant/Permittee must notify OSMP staff by email at [OSMPfixedhardwarepermits@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:OSMPfixedhardwarepermits@bouldercolorado.gov).

1. Applications must include (items may be included in the space provided, at the end, or as a separate attachment):
  - a. A photocopy or diagram of the rock formation with the proposed route drawn in;
  
  - b. A description of existing routes on the same face of the rock formation, including the number of routes, route names, route grade, type [traditional or bolted], and approximate distance between routes (a photocopy or diagram of the existing route(s) is also required);

- c. **A description of the approach (include approximate distance from the designated trail system, existing “social” or undesignated trails leading to the climb and condition of the trail, and state whether there is a durable surface, such as rock. Include photographs of the approach.);**
  
- d. **If different from the approach, a description of the descent, (include approximate distance from the designated trail system, existing “social” or undesignated trails, a description of the trail condition and whether there is a durable surface, such as rock. Include photographs of the descent.);**
  
- e. **A description of the area at the base of the climb (include existing levels of soil compaction, existence of a durable surface such as rock, and existing soil erosion. Include photographs of the area at the base of the climb.);**

**2. Has all reconnaissance work that can be reasonably done, short of placing any hardware, been done?**

**3. Has the route been top roped? Is there loose rock? Is it extremely overhanging?**

**Any additional notes**

## **Disclaimer and Release**

I have applied to Open Space and Mountain Parks staff for a permit to place fixed climbing hardware at the described location. I am performing this function voluntarily. I will notify Open Space and Mountain Parks staff as stated above.

The City of Boulder is not responsible for the placement of these bolts, and is not responsible for their maintenance, replacement, or safety. The bolts, fixed protection, or any other gear left behind are not facilities within Open Space and Mountain Parks land. People engaged in climbing activities do so at their own risk. The City of Boulder has not requested that I place any bolt, and I am not by this notification obligated to place any bolt. I am acting solely for my own purposes, and not acting as a contractor, agent, employee, or authorized volunteer of the City of Boulder in placing any bolt. The City of Boulder is not liable for any injury to me arising out of placement of any bolt. The City of Boulder will not defend or indemnify me in any litigation which might arise out of the placement of any bolt. I am proceeding at my own risk, and recognize and voluntarily assumed all risks to myself involved in the bolt placement, which could include serious injury or death. I release the City of Boulder, and its officers and employees, from any liability they might have or Applicant might claim from any of my acts or omissions to place any bolts. I have read this disclaimer and release, agree to be bound by its terms, and will not assert any inconsistent position in any litigation arising out of the placement of any fixed hardware.

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(Applicant Signature)

(Date Signed)

## **Bolt placement Information**

- a) Stainless steel bolts are required.
- b) Minimum bolt size shall be 1/2" x 2 3/4".
- c) Bolts and hangers must be camouflaged prior to insertion into the rock.
- d) Cold shuts are prohibited.
- e) Drive-in bolts are prohibited.
- f) Motorized rock drills are recommended.
- g) Only chains and/or links are permitted as anchors, no cord or webbing.
- h) When replacing fixed hardware, holder will make every effort to repair and restore the rock to its natural state.

## **Pertinent Rules and Regulations**

**You must have this approved (signed) application in your possession when installing the route** – or you may be found in violation of park regulations and prosecuted accordingly.

It is against federal, state and municipal law to disturb any nesting bird of prey. Area wildlife closures are in effect for nesting/roosting birds of prey from February 1<sup>st</sup> through July 31<sup>st</sup> annually. Please contact OSMP, or refer to [www.osmp.org](http://www.osmp.org), for current seasonal closure information. Sites may vary annually.

### **Section 5-4-2, "Damaging Public Property," B.R.C. 1981**

No person shall damage, move, remove, destroy, drill a hole in, dig, or injure in any manner whatsoever any grass, tree, shrub, plant, flower, soil, rock, or other natural object, railing, bridge, culvert, sign, building, equipment, bolt, archeological, historic, or cultural object, or any other property whatsoever belonging to the city or under the possession and control of the city, unless done pursuant to a written permit or contract from the city manager.

**Section 8-3-20, "Fixed Hardware Prohibited," B.R.C. 1981**

No person engaged in rock climbing in a park, recreation area, or open space shall place or attach any object on such land unless the object is inherently capable of removal for such reuse by reasonable effort, unless done pursuant to a written permit from the city manager.

**Prosecution**

Violations subject persons to fines up to \$1000.00 and up to 90 days in jail.

Bolt placement in strict accordance with this notification, when issued by the City of Boulder, constitutes permission from the city manager within the meaning of the Sections 5-4-2 and 8-3-20, B.R.C. 1981, and excuses the named holder from criminal prosecution for the bolt placement specified.